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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Policy Memorandum 06-29 (Safety) Arms, Ammunition and Explosives (AA&E) Amnesty Program

1. References:

- a. AR 190-11, Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition and Explosives, 12 February 1998
- b. AR 385-64, Ammunition Explosives Safety Standards 15 December 1999
- c. DA Pam 710-2-1, Using Unit Supply System (Manual Procedures), 31 December 1997
- d. USAREUR Regulation 700-130, Training Ammunition Management, 9 May 2002
- e. USAREUR Regulation 385-64, USAREUR Explosive Safety Program, 26 July 2000
- f. USAREUR Regulation 190-13, Army in Europe Physical Security Program, 23 October 2003
- g. AE Regulation 55-4, Safe Movement of Hazardous Goods by Surface Modes, 1 May 2003

2. Purpose: The AA&E Amnesty Program is intended to ensure maximum recovery of military AA&E items outside the supply system. It is not intended to circumvent normal turn-in procedures. This amnesty program must be conducted on a no-questions-asked basis to provide an opportunity for individuals to return items without fear of reprisal or prosecution.

3. Applicability: This Policy Memorandum applies to all units assigned, attached, or tenants within the U. S. Army Garrison (USAG) Vicenza Area of Responsibility.

4. General:

a. The USAG Vicenza will establish and maintain amnesty containers to support the Installation AA&E Amnesty Program in support of assigned and tenant units or activities. Four amnesty containers are located throughout Caserma Ederle to support the Installation Amnesty Program. Containers are adjacent or near the following locations:

- Adjacent to the Military Police Station, Building 4B
- Outside the gate of the Delta Battery Combat Vehicle Parking Area, North Forty Annex
- Adjacent to the Multi-purpose Indoor Range (MIR) Complex, Building 369
- Outside the gate of the 508<sup>TH</sup> Combat Vehicle Parking Area entrance, Building 204

Amnesty containers located at the MP Station, the MIR, and Delta Battery Motorpool, will only accept .50 caliber and smaller ball ammunition. The amnesty container located near the 508<sup>TH</sup> Combat Vehicle Parking Area will accept larger ammunition such as smoke grenades, 40mm TP rounds, etc.

b. Amnesty containers will be checked by Ammunition Supply Point (ASP #7) personnel at irregular intervals, but not less than once a week, for unexpended AA&E. More frequent inspections may be required after field training exercises or contingency redeployments. ASP #7 personnel will schedule the necessary transportation and Carabinieri escorts to transport AA&E to ASP #7.

c. Unidentifiable ammunition or explosives except for small arms type ammunition will be considered hazardous. When hazardous ammunitions or explosives are discovered, ASP #7 personnel will contact the Quality Assurance Specialist Ammunition Surveillance (QASAS) at DSN 634-6870. If items are suspected or determined to be unsafe after inspection by qualified personnel then EOD must be notified at DSN 632-7345 (Aviano).

d. Personnel assigned the duty to inspect or turn-in AA&E must be trained on the proper identification and handling of munitions. Military Police desk personnel will be knowledgeable of the amnesty program and advise callers of what to do with AA&E found on or off post.

## 5. Responsibilities:

### a. Unit Commanders:

(1) Brief all personnel on the details of this amnesty policy prior to each training event or exercise that requires the use of ammunition or explosives to include the location of the nearest amnesty-collection container.

(2) Encourage personnel to notify ASP #7 or the MP Station by telephone when hazardous items (containing explosives) have been deposited in amnesty containers. Note: This notification is not a requirement.

(3) Develop a SOP that establishes procedures for the amnesty collection and turn-in at local and major training areas, inspection and disposal of munitions and explosives, and training of personnel responsible for removing and transporting amnesty ammunitions and explosives.

(4) Provide temporary amnesty-collection containers in support of weapons qualification ranges and all training events involving ammunition and explosives. Conduct brass and ammunition checks prior to departing training facilities involving the use of ammunitions.

(5) Ensure properly trained personnel are available to evaluate ammunition and explosives prior to movement for turn-in from training locations.

(6) Ensure that ammunition and explosive residue generated during training exercises is not deposited in installation amnesty containers or turned-in to ASP #7 under the amnesty program. Standard turn-in procedures must be followed for unused ammunition and explosive residue from range training events.

b. USAG Vicenza Safety Office:

(1) Promote the Amnesty Program quarterly through all available media sources. These sources include local AFN Radio/Television, SETAF Outlook, and e-mail distribution. Information will include amnesty program intent, procedures for reporting and disposing of AA&E found on or off post, and locations of amnesty containers.

(2) Approve locations and design of amnesty-collection containers in coordination with the PMO and QASAS.

c. ASP #7 QASAS:

(1) Inspect, coordinate transportation/escort, and turn-in ammunition as indicated in paragraph 4-b.

(2) Accept ammunition turned-in under the provisions of the AA&E Amnesty Program. Individuals turning in AA&E as part of the amnesty program will not be required to have a turn-in document. The ASP will initiate a DA Form 581 turn-in document to establish an audit trail.

(3) Submit quarterly reports to the Safety Office indicating the quantity and description of AA&E turn-ins under the amnesty program NLT the second Monday following the end of each quarter.

(4) Accept AA&E recovered by EOD personnel. ASP #7 personnel will determine the serviceability of the ammunition and take appropriate action for disposition (in accordance with regulatory requirements).

6. Amnesty-collection containers.

a. Amnesty-collection containers are placed as indicated in paragraph-4a. Containers will be accessible 24 hours a day.

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b. Collection containers are positioned to ensure proper quantity-distances and fire safety. For safety reasons, containers in populated areas (next to inhabited buildings) are designed with an opening no larger than necessary to accept .50 caliber ammunition.

c. Containers are designed to prevent extraction through the deposit opening. Containers will be secured to prevent unauthorized movement.

7. Explosive items found outside the installation must be reported to the military police.

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